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MEXICO.

Report from Progreso—Inspection and fumigation of vessels—Yellow fever in Merida.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Harrison reports, June 3, as follows:

Period from May 19 to June 3, 1906. There have been several cases and deaths of yellow fever in Merida. During the month of May there were 5 cases and 3 deaths. All the usual means of prevention and control are being vigorously applied. During the period covered by this report, 10 steamships were dispatched, with 52 passengers from this port and crews numbering 359.

Report from Veracruz—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Frick reports, June 4, as follows:

Week ended June 2, 1906.

May 30. Fumigated and passed the Danish steamship *St. Croix*, bound for New Orleans, with 47 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast. Fumigated and passed the British steamship *Burbo Bank*, bound for New Orleans, with 25 in the crew; vessel sails in ballast.

May 31. Inspected and passed the Norwegian steamship *Molina*, bound for Texas City via Coatzacoalcas, with 19 in the crew; vessel sails in the remains of a general American cargo from Texas City. Inspected and passed the American steamship *Monterey*, bound for New York via Progreso, Mexico, and Habana, with 97 in the crew, 111 cabin, and 38 steerage passengers; vessel sails in general cargo and live stock for Cuba. Inspected and passed the Norwegian steamship *City of Tampico*, bound for New Orleans, with 21 in the crew and 1 passenger; vessel sails in general cargo. Bills of health were issued the British steamships *Eastlands* and *Simonside*. These vessels are expected to sail to-morrow and will be included in transactions of next week.

NICARAGUA.

Report from Bluefields, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Layton reports as follows: Week ended June 3, 1906. Present officially estimated population, 3,500; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.
May 31	Imperator	New Orleans	20	1	3
June 3	Bluefields	do	23	2
3	Chelston	Colon	31	0	0

Three passengers were permitted to sail on steamship *Imperator* May 31 without detention here. They were from the mining district, which is of high altitude and noninfectible. They brought certificates from the American consul at Cape Gracias á Dios, which were accepted, as there exists no infectious diseases at the Cape.

British steamship *Chelston*, engaged in the mahogany trade, arrived off Bluefields June 2 late at night from Inagua, West Indies, with a

bill of health from American consul there, for Colon, via Bluefields. Vessel remained far out at sea. The master came into port early this morning and received a supplementary bill of health from the American consular agent here which I viséed and countersigned. He immediately after returned to his vessel and proceeded to Colon. I issued no other certificate, and could not board the ship and make an inspection of the crew. Besides the crew of 31, the vessel carried 67 laborers, taken on board at the island of Inagua, West Indies. Said laborers are to be returned to Inagua after the vessel has been loaded in Central and South American ports. Total on board, crew and laborers all told, 98.

NORWAY.

Quarantine proclamation.

Consul-General Bordewich, at Christiania, forwarded the following under date of May 14:

A royal proclamation was made on the 10th instant as follows:

It is hereby ordered, in compliance with section 2 in law of July 12, 1848, relating to quarantine, that Burma and the cities of Perth, Freemantle, and Geraldton, in West Australia, shall, until further notice, be considered infected with oriental plague, and the regulations laid down in said law and in circular of October 13, 1900, regarding plague, etc., are to take effect at once.

The cities of Durban, Port Elizabeth, and East London, in British South Africa, and Osaka and Shimonoseki, in Japan, which by proclamations of March 24 and May 29, 1903, and of January 27, 1906, were to be considered infected with oriental plague, shall not any longer be considered so infected.

According to prior proclamations Arabia, Persia, India, China, Yokohama, Kobe, and Hiogo, in Japan, Manila, Formosa, Siam, and Tonkin, Egypt, Madagascar, Réunion Island, and Mauritius, the cities of Callao, Lima, and Paita, in Peru, the ports in Brazil and Chile, also Brisbane and Maryborough, in Queensland, shall, until further notice, be considered infected with oriental plague.

Christiania, May 14, 1906.

HARALD BOTHNER.

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PANAMA.

Report from Bocas del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended June 2, 1906. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected.
May 26	Mount Vernon.....	New Orleans.....	21	0	0	0
29	Helen.....	Mobile.....	21	0	0	0
31	Fort Gaines.....	do.....	23	0	0	0
31	Belvernon.....	do.....	21	0	0	0